

May 19, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re:    *Ex Parte* Notice**

**In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Recommendation  
Concerning the Commission's Rules Relating to High-Cost Universal Service  
Support and the ETC Designation Process, CC Docket No. 96-45**

**In the Matter of IP-Enabled Services, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, WC Docket  
No. 04-36**

**In the Matter of Developing a Unified Inter-carrier Compensation Regime, CC  
Docket No. 01-92**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, May 19, 2004, on behalf of the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association (NTCA) and the Iowa Telecommunications Association (ITA), Stefani Millie, ITA's Director of Government Relations, Mark Peterson with WTC Communications, Dave Raar with Hoppers Telephone Company, Doug Boone with Mutual Telephone Company, Charles Rebman with Central Scott Telephone Company, Dick Baker with Farmers Cooperative Telephone Company and I met with Daniel Gonzalez, Commissioner Kevin Martin's Senior Legal Advisor. We discussed NTCA's positions as previously filed in the above-referenced proceedings.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, an original and two copies of this letter are being filed with the Secretary's Office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-351-2016.

Sincerely,

/s/ Daniel Mitchell  
Daniel Mitchell  
Senior Regulatory Counsel  
Legal and Industry

cc: Daniel Gonzalez